

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS**

TIMOTHY MANNING and)
JOSEPH BRYSON,)
Plaintiffs,)

v.)

MASSACHUSETTS OFFICE OF THE)
CHIEF MEDICAL EXAMINER;)
JOHN CRONIN, individually and in his)
official capacity as Chief Administrative)
Officer of the Office of the Chief Medical)
Examiner; RICHARD EVANS,)
individually and in his official capacity as)
Chief Medical Examiner of the)
Commonwealth of Massachusetts,)
Defendants)

C.A. 1:04-cv-10508 -DPW

JOINT STATUS REPORT

Counsel for the plaintiffs and the defendants have conferred and report to the Court as follows:

- 1) Discovery is completed and defense counsel will be filing Defendants' Motion for Summary Judgment today;
- 2) The parties have been engaged in on-going settlement discussions and are hopeful that their conciliation efforts will be successful. In an effort to facilitate settlement, the plaintiffs have today re-tendered a demand for settlement.

- 3) Defense counsel is in the process of presenting this offer to her clients for consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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